

## House Resolution 1120

By: Representatives Levitas of the 82<sup>nd</sup> and Smith of the 113<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Hands On Atlanta founders Mr. Kent Alexander, Ms. Elise Eplan, and Ms.  
2 Michelle Nunn, and inviting them to appear before the House of Representatives; and for  
3 other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, in 1989, Mr. Kent Alexander, Ms. Elise Eplan, and Ms. Michelle Nunn  
5 envisioned creating an organization to provide volunteer opportunities for people throughout  
6 the City of Atlanta; and

7 WHEREAS, for two decades, Hands On Atlanta has served as the connection between the  
8 people in need and the people who want to give back, with its core mission of service  
9 emphasizing economy, education, and environment; and

10 WHEREAS, today, Hands On Atlanta serves as a national leader in the volunteer movement  
11 and was the inspiration and model for the national volunteer organization, Points of Light  
12 and Hands On Network; and

13 WHEREAS, during Hands On Atlanta's 20 year history, the organization has mobilized more  
14 than 250,000 volunteers who have provided more than 1 million hours of service to more  
15 than 4,000 nonprofits and schools throughout the greater Atlanta area; and

16 WHEREAS, Hands On Atlanta has operated the largest AmeriCorps program in the  
17 Southeast for the past 16 years, with more than 1,750 members providing tutoring,  
18 mentoring, after-school enrichment, and volunteer management services for Atlanta Public  
19 Schools; and

20 WHEREAS, in celebration of its 20 year anniversary, Hands On Atlanta has set its annual  
21 goal at raising \$500,000 and having volunteers contribute 500,000 hours of service; and

22 WHEREAS, the foresight and determination of Mr. Alexander, Ms. Eplan, and Ms. Nunn  
23 in founding Hands On Atlanta and the selfless and diligent community service its members  
24 perform on behalf of others is worthy of recognition.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body commend Mr. Kent Alexander, Ms. Elise Eplan, and Ms. Michelle  
27 Nunn for their vision and leadership in creating Hands On Atlanta and invite them to appear  
28 before the House of Representatives at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the  
29 House.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Kent Alexander, Ms.  
32 Elise Eplan, and Ms. Michelle Nunn.